

2021 WAVE 1 QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Generally speaking, do you support our nation's military?
(1) Strongly support; (2) Somewhat support; (3) Somewhat don't support; (4) Strongly don't support;
(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
2. Generally speaking, do you think that the current capability of our nation's military has become stronger than in the past?
(1) Has not become stronger; (2) Has become stronger;
(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
3. Are you confident in the ability of our nation's military to defend Taiwan?
(1) Very confident; (2) Confident; (3) Unconfident; (4) Very unconfident;
(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
4. Generally speaking, do you have a good or bad impression of our nation's military?
(1) Very good; (2) Quite good; (3) Quite bad; (4) Very bad [Continue to Question 5]; (95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
5. What are the reasons for your bad impression of our nation's military? Open-ended question
(1) The military culture is too conservative; (2) Officialdom overrides professionalism; (3) Only focuses on superficial work; (4) Lack of information transparency; (5) Poor military discipline; (6) Frequent accidents; (90) Other _____.
(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
6. Have you searched on the Internet for news about our nation's military?
(1) Yes [Continue to Question 7];
(2) No;
(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
7. Do you think that searching on the Internet for news about our nation's military has increased your support for our nation's military?
(1) Yes;

(2) No;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

8. Have you previously participated in any activities such as combat camps, study camps, honor guard competitions, or base open days organized by our nation's military?

(1) Yes [Continue to Question 9];

(2) No;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

9. Do you think that participating in these activities has increased your support for our nation's military?

(1) Yes;

(2) No;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

10. If our nation's military opens up more activities for the public to participate in, do you think it will increase people's support for our nation's military?

(1) Definitely will; (2) Probably will; (3) Probably won't; (4) Definitely won't;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

11. Some people say, "Society's investment in national defense is a waste." Do you agree with this view?

(1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

12. Some people say, "National defense is a responsibility that every citizen should share." Do you agree with this view?

(1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

13. Do you think the current military threat to Taiwan from mainland China is very serious, somewhat serious, not very serious, or not serious at all?

(1) Very serious; (2) Somewhat serious; (3) Not very serious; (4) Not serious at all;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

14. Do you think that our nation's military is too tough, too weak, or just about right in dealing with incursions by PLA aircraft and vessels?

(1) Too tough; (2) Too weak; (3) Just about right;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

15. In order to strengthen reserve combat capability, our nation's military has proposed increasing the frequency and number of days of reservist training. Do you support this policy?

(1) Strongly support; (2) Somewhat support; (3) Somewhat don't support; (4) Strongly don't support;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

****Questions 16 and 17 are randomized****

16. Some people say, "We should promote a policy of 'every citizen is a soldier' like Israel so that Taiwan's society can have strong defense capabilities." Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

(1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

17. Some people say, "Even if it disrupts our everyday life, we should promote a policy of 'every citizen is a soldier' like Israel so that Taiwan's society can have strong defense capabilities." Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

(1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

****Questions 18 and 19 are randomized****

18. Some people say, "Our nation's military should have the weapons to attack important military facilities along the coast of mainland China." Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

(1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

19. Some people say, "Even if it makes cross-Strait relations tense, our nation's military should have the weapons to attack important military facilities along the coast of mainland China." Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

(1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;

disagree;

(95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know

****Next, we would like to ask your opinions on the defense budget and independent defense****

20. Some people say, "There is a serious imbalance in military spending between mainland China and Taiwan, and Taiwan should increase its defense budget to ensure adequate self-defense capability." Do you agree or disagree with this statement?
- (1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;
- (95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
21. Do you approve or disapprove of the government reducing some existing areas of the budget and increasing the military budget to enhance national defense capabilities?
- (1) Strongly approve; (2) Somewhat approve; (3) Somewhat disapprove; (4) Strongly disapprove;
- (95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
22. Some people say, "Taiwan should continue to purchase military equipment and weapons from the United States to enhance Taiwan's defense capability." Do you agree or disagree with this statement?
- (1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;
- (95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
23. Some people say, "In order to strengthen the military and prepare for war without being affected by changes in the international situation, Taiwan should continue to promote the indigenous research and development of important weapons and equipment." Do you agree or disagree with this statement?
- (1) Strongly agree; (2) Somewhat agree; (3) Somewhat disagree; (4) Strongly disagree;
- (95) Refused to answer; (96) It depends; (97) No opinion; (98) Don't know
24. Do you have any experience serving in the military (including military service and civilian employment)?
- (1) Yes [Continue to Question 25];
- (2) No;

(95) Refused to answer

25. Was your experience serving in the military obligatory military service, voluntary military service, or civilian employment?

(1) Obligatory military service; (2) Voluntary military service; (3) Civilian employment;

(95) Refused to answer; (98) Don't know

31. Did you study liberal arts, science, or other?

(1) Liberal arts; (2) Science; (90) Other _____.

(95) Refused to answer; (98) Don't know